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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 1015

AMCONSUL DHAHRAN

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PASS TO TREASURY FOR BOWDEN/PARSKY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: USSAEC, SA, US

SUBJECT: VISIT OF SCI TECH TEAM

1. COMMISSION LIAISON OFFICER REPORTS RECEIVING THROUGH  
TELEX IN RIYADH FOLLOWING MESSAGE WHICH IS TO BE DELIVERED  
TO SULAIM SATURDAY MORNING APRIL 26: QUOTE: RECENT  
COMMUNICATION FROM AMEMBASSY JIDDA SUGGESTED DELAYING  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SURVEY TEAM ARRIVAL RIYADH UNTIL  
11 MAY AFTER VISITS TO JIDDA AND DHAHRAN, TEAM WOULD PREFER  
TO MOVE TO RIYADH FROM JIDDA DIRECTLY AFTER EMBASSY VISIT  
AND ACCORDINGLY HAS RESERVED SPACE SUNDAY MAY 4 ON SV 896,  
ARRIVING RIYADH 1820. TEAM WOULD GREATLY VALUE MEETING  
WITH DR. OBAID AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SAUDI OFFICIALS  
DURING INITIAL PART OF VISIT, IN ORDER TO CLARIFY  
OBJECTIVES AND TO DEVELOP MOST ADVANTAGEOUS ITINERARY  
FOR REMAINDER OF VISIT. IF ABOVE SCHEDULE MEETS WITH  
APPROVAL DR. SULAIM AND DR. OBAID, PLEASE REQUEST  
JOHN ZEIGLER TO ARRANGE HOUSING, AT LOCKHEED APARTMENTS,  
IF POSSIBLE. PLEASE TELEX RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.  
SIGNED BOWDEN. UNQUOTE.

2. EMBASSY WISHES TO MAKE POINT THAT SCHEDULE SENT  
TREASURY EARLIER THROUGH EMBASSY FACILITIES WAS SUGGESTED  
BY SAUDIS, PARTICULARLY DR. OBAID, AND NOT BY EMBASSY.  
DR. OBAID HAD GOOD REASONS FOR SCHEDULING TEAM VISIT  
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IN THIS WAY. WHILE EMBASSY IS WILLING TO GO BACK AND

ARGUE FOR MODIFICATION OF SCHEDULE ALONG LINES INFERRED FROM ABOVE MESSAGE, WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT EMBASSY LIAISON OFFICER BE USED TO PRESENT THIS REQUEST TO DR. SULAIM AND THAT THE CHANGE SHOULD BE WITHIN CONTEXT OF OFFICIAL U.S. PROPOSAL FOR SCHEDULE MODIFICATION. IF LIAISON OFFICER NEGOTIATES CHANGE WE WILL MESSAGE YOU ACCORDINGLY. ALTHOUGH SUCH DETAILS ARE IN ESSENCE OPERATIONAL, IN THE ABSENCE OF A U.S. REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN RIYADH, TREASURY MUST ACCEPT FACT THAT DETAILS SUCH AS THIS MUST BE HANDLED BY EMBASSY LIAISON OFFICER IN RIYADH. SAUDIS (OBAID AND SULAIM) ORIGINATED THIS SCHEDULE IN CONSULTATION WITH EMBASSY LIAISON OFFICER AND DISPATCHED SUGGESTED ITINERARY TO WASHINGTON VIA EMBASSY. MINIMUM PROCEDURAL COURTESY REQUIRES THAT EMBASSY BE INFORMED OF ANY MESSAGES SUCH AS TELEX TO DR. DULAIM.

3. AS STATED ABOVE, WE WILL CONSULT WITH SAUDIS CONCERNING SCHEDULE CHANGE--IF TREASURY SO DESIRES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY IF TREASURY INSISTS ON SCHEDULE MODIFICATION AS SUGGESTED IN TELEX.

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